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<b>Application Title</b>	APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR PERFORMING TRANSPARENT BLOCK CIPHER CRYPTOGRAPHIC FUNCTIONS		
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**RESPONSE B – AMENDMENT**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action of 09/10/2007, with a shortened statutory period of response set to expire 12/10/2007, please amend the above identified application as set forth below. A Request for Continued Examination is also attached hereto along with a Credit Card Payment Form authorizing a charge for the corresponding fee.

**Amendments to the Specifications** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 14 of this paper.

**Conclusions** begin on page 25 of this paper.